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REMARKS

Reconsideration of the rejections set forth in the Final Office Action dated 5/10/2006 is respectfully requested under the provisions of 37 CFR §1.116.

Claims 1-6, 8, 9, 11-13, 15-20, 22, 23, 25-27, 29-34, 36, 37, 39-41, and 43-51 are pending.

Claims 1-6, 8, 9, 11-13, 15-20, 22, 23, 25-27, 29-34, 36, 37, 39-41, 43-45 and 49-51 stand rejected.

Claims 46-48 are objected to as being allowable subject matter depending from a rejected claim.

To overcome the rejection and place the claims objected to in condition for allowance, this Amendment cancels claims 46-48 without estoppel, prejudice, or disclaimer to the subject matter contained therein and has amended their respective independent claims to include the limitations from the canceled, objected-to claims.

Since all rejections, objections and requirements contained in the outstanding official action have been fully answered or traversed and shown to be inapplicable to the present claims, it is respectfully submitted that reconsideration is now in order under the provisions of 37 CFR §1.116(b) and such reconsideration is respectfully requested. Upon reconsideration, it is also respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance and such action is therefore respectfully requested.

No additional fee is believed to be required for this amendment. However, the undersigned Xerox Corporation attorney hereby authorizes the charging of any necessary fees, other than the issue fee, to Xerox Corporation Deposit Account No. 24-0025. This also constitutes a request for any needed extension of time and authorization to charge all fees therefor to Xerox Corporation Deposit Account No. 24-0025.

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Should any additional issues remain, or if I can be of any additional assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me at (650) 812-4259.

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